



VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT

The Department of Health has a career opportunity for qualified candidates for the following position:

Title Research Scientist 1 [Classified Non-Competitive]			Salary R30 \$85,861.39 - \$122,529.91
Posting Number 236-22	Position Number 653271	Number of Positions 1	Posting Period * From: 03/11/2022 To: 03/25/2022
Location: Division of Epidemiology, Environmental and Occupational Health Communicable Disease Service 135 E. State Street, 2nd Floor Trenton, NJ 08625			Scope of Eligibility/Open to: Applicants who Meet the Requirements
GENERAL DESCRIPTION			
<p>Under the direction of a supervisory official this position will serve as a senior Epidemiologist, who will be responsible for designing and overseeing surveillance and epidemiological research protocols and designs, and other scientific investigation projects to identify ways to improve prevention and control and to evaluate program effectiveness. Prepares reports suitable for submission to scholarly publications and for presentation at national conferences. Supervises and trains program staff such as; Research Scientists, Health Data Specialists, Administrative Analysts, and other technical staff. Reviews, modifies, approves, or disapproves proposed studies to ensure compliance with appropriate research and surveillance methodology and statistical techniques. Serves as Primary Investigator (PI) for research studies and coordinates Institutional Review Board (IRB) submissions when needed. Manages high level technical projects and reports results to designated officials for inter- and intra-agency response. Provides subject matter expertise, overall leadership, and project coordination for syndromic surveillance, including development and improvement of surveillance strategies, development/ review of guidance documents and protocols, stakeholder and partner engagement, and providing technical assistance/ consultation. Serves as the CDS liaison with Health Monitoring Systems (the vendor for EpiCenter) and NJDOH programs (inside and outside of CDS) using syndromic data and analytic reports for research and surveillance proposes. Provides subject matter expertise in support of surveillance and informatics research activities and provide technical support to NJDOH staff. Collaborates with diverse partners contributing to syndromic surveillance, including the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and local and regional health departments and advise local health departments, program staff, and facility partners on protocols for using syndromic data. Prepares applications for federal and other grant funds through the design of original and creative research projects.</p>			
REQUIREMENTS (EDUCATION / EXPERIENCE / LICENSES)			
<p>EDUCATION: Graduation from an accredited college or university with a Master's degree in a discipline appropriate to the position.</p> <p>EXPERIENCE: Four (4) years of full-time experience in a field appropriate to the position.</p> <p>NOTE: A Doctorate in a discipline appropriate to the position may be substituted for two (2) years of experience indicated above.</p> <p>LICENSE: Appointee will be required to possess a driver's license valid in New Jersey only if the operation of a vehicle, rather than employee mobility, is necessary to perform the essential duties of the position.</p>			
IMPORTANT FILING INSTRUCTIONS			
<p>If interested in this position, you can reply in one of two ways:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Forward the required documents electronically to: PSSTEOH@doh.nj.gov • Mail the required documents to: Steven Bors, Executive Assistant 4 Epid., Environmental and Occupational Health Reference Posting #236-22 New Jersey Department of Health PO Box 369 Trenton, NJ 08625-0369 <p>Required documents:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • cover letter • resume • completed application, found at: http://www.nj.gov/health/forms/dpf-663.pdf <p><i>* Responses received after the closing date MAY be considered if the position is not filled.</i></p>			

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- *Newly hired employees must agree to a thorough background check that will include fingerprinting.*
 - *If you are a candidate for a position in our Public Health and Environmental Laboratories, you may be subject to pre- and /or post-employment alcohol and drug testing.*
 - *If you are a candidate for a position that involves direct client care in one of the State facilities/programs, you may be subject to pre- and/or post-employment drug testing/screening. The cost of any pre-employment testing will be at the candidate's expense. Candidates with a positive drug test result, or those who refuse to be tested and/or cooperate with the testing requirement, will not be hired.*
 - *In compliance with federal law, all persons hired will be required to verify identity and eligibility to work in the United States and to complete the required employment eligibility verification form upon hire.*
 - *In accordance with N.J.S.A. 52:14-7, the "New Jersey First Act", all employees must reside in the State of New Jersey, unless exempted under the law. If you do not live in New Jersey, you have one year after you begin employment to relocate your residence to New Jersey.*
 - **The New Jersey Department of Health is an Equal Opportunity Employer.**
 - *RESUME NOTE: Applicants who possess foreign degrees (degrees earned outside of the U.S.) are required to provide an evaluation indicating the U.S. equivalency prior to the closing date. Failure to do so may result in your ineligibility.*